

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Favorable reconsideration of this application, as presently amended and in light of the following discussion, is respectfully requested.

Claims 1-5, 8, 9 and 17-23 have been withdrawn from further consideration as being drawn to a non-elected invention.

Claims 10-16 have been objected to as being dependent upon non-elected claims; and Claims 10-16 have been rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102 as being anticipated by Barnes. Claims 1-9 and 16-23 have been canceled, without prejudice, and thus, Claims 10-15 remain active.

Considering first then the Examiner's objection to Claims 10-16, it is to be noted that such claims 10-15 have now been amended so as to be placed in independent form and claim 16 has now been cancelled.

Considering next then the rejection of Claims 10-16 under 35 U.S.C. §102 as being anticipated by Barnes, it is to be noted that Claim 10 has now been amended so as to include limitations directed to a first crushing device 116 to crush resin waste, a second crushing device 102 to crush wood waste material and a blending mixer 108 to mix the crushed resin waste material and the crushed wood waste material to prepare a mixed material. Claim 11 has been amended to include the limitations added to Claim 10 and to also claim a grinder device 106 to grind fine chips into a fine powder. Claim 12 has been amended to claim the first crushing device 116, second crushing device 102, a magnet 103, an eddy current separator device 103 and a gravity separator as well as a blending mixer 108. Similar limitations have been added to independent Claims 13-15 and Claim 16 has been canceled, without prejudice.

Insofar as a review of Barnes as well as the remaining references of record fails to indicate a teaching or disclosure of the limitations added to Claims 10-15, it is submitted that

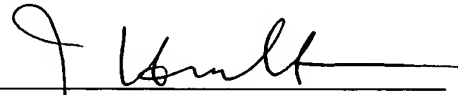
limitations added to Claims 10-15 are believed to be supported by the discussion set forth on pages 32-39 of the specification, for example.

Applicant also notes that the specification has been amended along with the Abstract so as to more accurately reflect the elected invention directed to the apparatus.

In view of the foregoing, an early and favorable Office Action is believed to be in order and the same is hereby respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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